

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of September 27.

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Senate Message: Message received by the Senate today appears on page H7935.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7942–43 and H7965. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DOD—CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the Department of Defense chemical agents and munitions destruction program. Testimony was heard from Senator Sessions; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Anna Johnson-Winegar, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary (Chemical and Biological Affairs); Gloria Patton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army (Chemical Demilitarization); Denzel Fisher, Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health, Jim Bacon, Program for Chemical Demilitarization, John Ferriter, Director, Operations, Remediation and Restoration, U.S. Army Soldier, Biological and Chemical Command, Cheryl Maggio, Tooele Chemical Demilitarization Facility, Site Support Team Leader, U.S. Army Program Manager for Chemical Demilitarization, and, Col. Kevin Connors, USA, Deputy Director, Army Safety, all with the Department of the Army; Russ Salter, Director, Chemical and Radiological Preparedness, FEMA; Kevin Yeskey, National Center for Environmental Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; David Kooson, Committee on Review and Evaluation of Army Chemical Stockpile Disposal Program, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT STATUS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the status of military procurement. Testimony was heard from Christopher Jehn, Assistant Director, (National Security Division), CBO; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: William J. Lynn, Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer; Lt. Gen. Larry R. Ellis, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans; Vice. Adm. Emund P. Giambastiani, USN, Deputy Chief, Naval Operations (Resources, Warfare Requirements, and Assessments); Lt. Gen. Robert H.

Fogelsong, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air and Space Operations; and Lt. Gen. William L. Nyland, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Programs and Resources.

CREDIT SCORE DISCLOSURE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on Credit Score Disclosure, focusing on H.R. 2856, Fair Credit Full Disclosure Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FIRESTONE TIRE RECALL

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint hearings on the recent Firestone tire recall action, focusing on the action as it pertains to relevant Ford vehicles. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Rodney E. Slater, Secretary; and Sue Bailey, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and representatives of Ford Motor Company and Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc.

TRANSPORTATION RECALL ENHANCEMENT, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND DOCUMENTATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection began mark up H.R. 5164, Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability, and Documentation Act.

IMPROVED MATH-SCIENCE EDUCATION IMPORTANCE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on the National and Economic Importance of Improved Math-Science Education and H.R. 4272, National Science Education Enhancement Act. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

POTENTIAL ENERGY CRISIS

Committee on Government Reform: Concluded hearings on Potential Energy Crisis in the Winter of 2000. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Bill Richardson, Secretary; and James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Carol Browner, Administrator, EPA.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on "The Federal

Workers' Compensation Program: Are Injured Federal Workers Being Treated Fairly?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Michael Walsh, Chairman, Employee Compensation Appeals Board; Shelby Hallmark, Acting Director, Office of Worker's Compensation Programs; and Patricia Dalton, Acting Inspector General.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Administration: Met to consider pending Committee business.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 4899, amended, the Asian Pacific Charter Commission Act of 2000; H.R. 5224, amended, International Food Relief Partnership Act; H.R. 5239, Export Administration Modification and Clarification Act of 2000; H.R. 2166, Bear Protection Act of 1999; and H. Con. Res. 328, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 395, expressing the sense of the Congress condemning the September 6, 2000, militia attack on United Nations refugee workers in West Timor and calling for an end to militia violence in East and West Timor; H. Res. 577, amended, to honor the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for its role as a protector of the world's refugees, to celebrate UNHCR's 50th anniversary, and to praise the High Commissioner Sadako Ogata for her work with UNHCR for the past ten years; and H. Res. 398, United States Training on and Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Resolution; and S. 1453, amended, Sudan Peace Act.

IMPLEMENTING PLAN COLUMBIA: U.S. ROLE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Implementing Plan Colombia: The U.S. Role. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: R. Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement; and Carl Leonard, Assistant Administrator,

Latin America, AID; Brian Sheridan, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S 2000 REPORT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Department of Justice Office of Inspector General's September 2000 Report titled: "An Investigation of Misconduct and Mismanagement at ICITAP, OPDAT, and the Criminal Division's Office of Administration." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Eric Holder, Deputy Attorney General; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General and John C. Keeney, Principle Deputy Assistant Attorney General, both with the Criminal Division; Glenn Fine, Acting Inspector General; and Stephen Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Administration, Justice Management Division.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the Impact of the Mentally Ill on the Criminal Justice System. Testimony was heard from Senator DeWine; Representative Strickland; Bernard S. Arons, M.D., Director, Center for Mental Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael F. Hogan, Director, Department of Mental Health, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

BERYLLIUM-RELATED ILLNESSES COMPENSATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 675, Beryllium Exposure Compensation Act; H.R. 3418, Energy Employees' Beryllium Compensation Act; H.R. 3478, Federal Beryllium Compensation Act; H.R. 3495, Department of Energy Nuclear Employees Exposure Compensation Act; H.R. 4263, Atomic Workers' Compensation Act; and H.R. 4398, Energy Employees Occupational Illness and Compensation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Senator Voinovich; Representatives Kanjorski, Kaptur, Strickland, Whitfield, Udall of Colorado, Wamp, Udall of New Mexico, Berkley and Lampson; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Bill Richardson, Secretary; and David Michaels, Assistant Secretary, Office of Environment Safety and Health; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4789, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office Reauthorization Act of 2000; H.R. 5086, to amend the National Marine Sanctuaries Act to

honor Dr. Nancy Foster; and H.R. 5133, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cardin; Scott Gudes, Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE FUTURE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on the Future of the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Representative Sanford; Randall Phillips, Deputy Chief of Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on the legislative day of September 25, 2000, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 4578) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Government and Industry Plans with respect to Stage 4 Commercial Aircraft. Testimony was heard from Edward W. Stimpson, U.S. Ambassador, representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization; Louise Maillett, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Policy, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

VETERANS AFFAIRS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings on information technology program. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Michael Slachta, Jr., Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; and Robert P. Bubniak, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Information Technology; and a public witness.

GLOBAL AGING CRISIS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the Global Aging Crisis. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BRIEFING—INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Intelligence Authorization Legislative Issues. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2000

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on Using Technology to Learn and Learning to Use Technology, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the status of police reform, focusing on protecting human rights and securing peace in Northern Ireland, 10 a.m., 2172, Rayburn Building.